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PRACTICES DIVISION, (OIFI, IEPR, DIBA) FROM JOSEPH LIGHTMAN

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SUBJECT: AFRICAN AND MALAGASY PATENT UNION

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AFRICAN-MALAGASY PATENT OFFICE (OAMPI) HAS CHANGED NAME TO
AFRICAN ORGANIZATION FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY (OAPI).
ACTIVITIES ARE BROADENED TO INCLUDE CENTRAL REGISTRATION
OF COPYRIGHTS, AS WELL AS PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS ENFORCEABLE
IN MEMBER COUNTRIES. U.S. NATIONALS MAY APPLY FOR PATENTS,
TRADEMARKS, COPYRIGHTS AT CENTRAL OFFICE IN YAOUNDE.
CAMEROON DID NOT, REPEAT NOT, WITHDRAW FROM OAMPI AND
CONTINUES AS MEMBER OF OAPI. CENTRAL OFFICE FOR OAPI
CONTINUES TO REMAIN IN YAOUNDE, CAMEROON. PRESENT OAPI
MEMBERS ARE BENIN (DAHOMEY), CAMEROON, REPUBLIC OF CONGO,
IVORY COAST, GABON, UPPER VOLTA, MAURITANIA, NIGER, CENTRAL
AFRICAN REPUBLIC, SENEGAL, TCHAD AND TOGO. MADAGASCAR HAS
WITHDRAWN MEMBERSHIP EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31, 1976.
CONFUSION RE CAMEROON MAY BE RESULT ITS WITHDRAWAL FROM
AFRICAN AND MAURITIUS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION (OCAM), A
POLITICAL ORGANIZATION OF FORMER FRENCH COLONIES, NOW
INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES. CAMEROON HAS REMAINED MEMBER OF
OAMPI, NOW OAPI. OAPI INTENDS INVITE ALL AFRICAN STATES
TO BECOME MEMBERS. ABOVE INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY DENNIS
EKANI, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF OAPI. INQUIRERS
RE DETAILS ON FILING AND REGISTRATION PROCEDURES MAY
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